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Mayor Bob Young will give testimony in Washington, DC, this week on legislation designed to help the Federal government develop a comprehensive water policy.

Chairman John J. Duncan, Jr., has invited Mayor Young to be among the witnesses to be heard by the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment Wednesday, May 7, 2003, at 2pm.

Mayor Young serves as co-chairman of the Urban Water Council of the U. S. Conference of Mayors. He will be outlining the Council's support for H.R. 135, the "Twenty-First Century Water Commission Act of 2003." The bill is co-sponsored by Rep. John Linder of Georgia.

Mayor Young will return to the Capitol May 13 and 14 to participate in development of Federal policy for National Heritage Areas.

Chairman Craig Thomas of the Subcommittee on National Parks invited Mayor Young to join a discussion group that will look at the National Heritage Area program and comment on proposed legislation.

Mayor Young said: "I appreciate the opportunity to be able to represent the views of the people of Augusta on two very important matters. Assuring an adequate supply of drinking water for our citizens must be a top priority. And, continued support for the Augusta Canal through the National Heritage Area program is important to the development of the canal master plan."

EDITOR'S NOTE: A copy of Mayor Young's written testimony and oral comments on H.R. 135 are posted on the Mayor's website, www.augustaga.gov/mayor